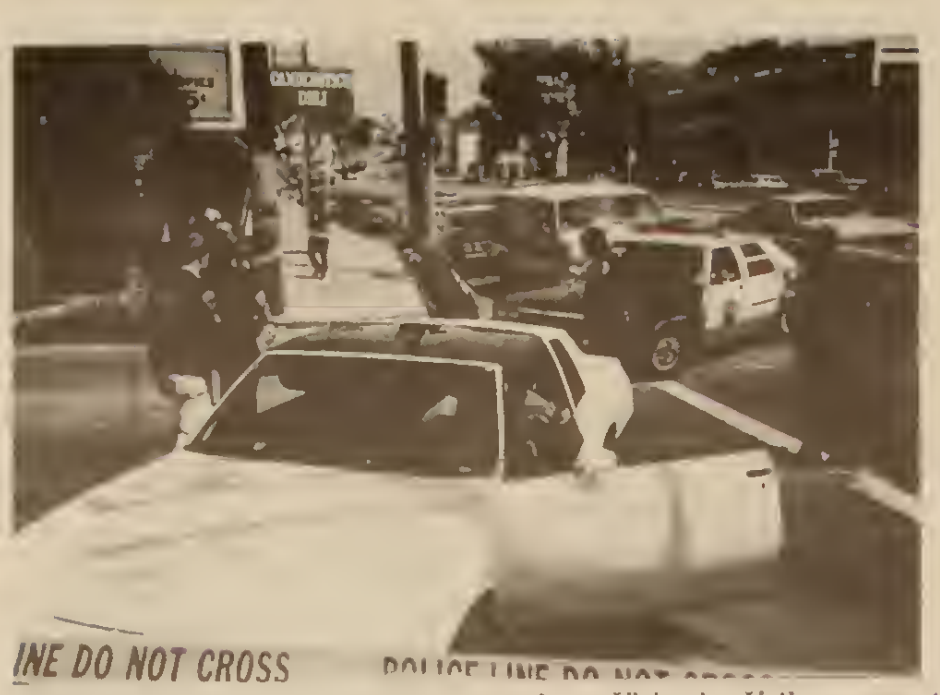

Police from all over the Bay Area converged on a Visitacion Valley corner at high noon on August 19th to arrest a suspected drug dealer. Here, they examine the car, which was driven by the suspect.

In the mayhem that ensued during the August 19 police chase, an innocent bystander was run down by one of the cars. Here, the victim is being loaded into an ambulance.

HIGH NOON ON BAYSHORE

Violence erupted on Bayshore Boulevard on August 19, 1992 during the noon hour when Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms Officers, Hayward Police and SFPD Narcotics Officers allegedly bought drugs in the 7-11 Store parking lot and attempted to arrest their suspected drug dealer. A car chase ensued, in which an innocent bystander was run over by one of the vehicles. The chase proceeded south on Bayshore to the corner of Sunnydale Avenue, where police shot the suspect and arrested him.

The arrested man, who lives in Sunnydale, was not seriously injured. The bystander hit by the vehicle driven by whoever hit him was later reported to have two broken arms and possible internal injuries.

The San Francisco Police Department has a policy that when pursuing a felony suspect in a car chase, they do not shoot at them because others could be hit, or the driver could be hit while driving and crash into innocent bystanders. The Federal police, who in this case were the leaders (and thus, policy setters), do not have the same rule; so they can shoot.

Many people were out on the street during this incident, and many expressed anger at the danger they found themselves in. While setting up barriers at the crime scene, irritated police also annoyed the already distressed bystanders in trying to clear away the crowd that gathered at the scene. Some of the bystanders did not understand what was going on, and some spoke little or no English. It is notable that non-English speaking newcomers have been the victims of numerous attacks in the past few months, and many have been afraid to call police. Unpleasant experiences with "police" in their old country, the fear of not being able to communicate well and the fear of reprisal have all caused our newer neighbors to hesitate to report crimes.

Captain Richard Holder, of Potrero Station, well knows of the concerns of the Asian neighbors; and has made efforts to help lay their fears at rest. Recently, he has added three new Chinese speaking officers to his command, and is anxious that the Asian neighbors are informed of this. The Potrero Station also hosts the monthly meetings of R.O.S.E.S. (Residents of Southeast Sector), the Police-Community Relations group in this area. Members of the Visitacion Valley Asian Residents Association attend this meeting, which is open to all residents of the District, and the Potrero Station officers also attend the V.V.A.R.A. meetings, held on the first Friday of the month at 7:30 at the Community Center on Raymond and Bayshore.

We hope that the "High Noon" showdown of August 19th does not set back efforts at good police-community relations. The San Francisco Police do a good job here in the Valley. They were, of course, required to take a back seat to the Federal Police in this incident insofar as policy on handling a chase. We're sorry the situation was so violent, but thankful that no one was seriously injured or killed.

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Local High School Student Awarded Rensselaer Medal

Troy, NY-Rensselaer Pollytechnic Institute has announced the names of high school students who have been awarded the Rensselaer Medal.

From the local area is :

Erdi Chen of 211 Moscow Street, San Francisco, Woodrow Wilson H.S.

Rensselaer has awarded the Rensselaer Medal since 1916 to high school juniors who are chosen by their schools as the top student in science and mathematics. Rensselaer Medals are awarded at more than 2,300 high schools in North America, South America, Europe, and Asia.

Medal winners are chosen by a program coordinator at their high schools. In addition to the medal, recipients receive merit scholarships of $5,000 apiece per year to Rensselaer. In the academic year 1991-92, some 1905 medals were awarded.

Known worldwide for its rigorous academic programs, Rensselaer is a university with recognized strength in aeronautics, engineering, robotics, and computer science, coupled with considerable depth in science, architecture. management, humanities, and the social sciences. A coeducational, independent, nonsectarian university, Rensselaer has approximately 4,100 undergraduate and 2,100 graduate students.

Help For Visually Impaired SF Voters

Assistance in registering as an absentee voter and in filling out the November ballot will be available to blind and visually impaired San Francisco residents on Monday, October 5 and Thursday, October 8 at the Rose Resnick Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, 1299 Bush Street, San Francisco. In-home voter assistance is also available to those visually impaired San Francisco residents who are unable to travel. Call (415) 441-1980 for an appointment.

WHY ARE CRIMES INCREASING IN OUR COMMUNITY?

by Marlene Tran
Visitacion Valley Asian Residents' Assn.

Why are crimes increasing in our community?

1.) Is it because Asians usually carry cash/jewelry and, some of you even set aside some cash to appease the perpetrators on demand? This gesture can be hazardous to others who may not have money to give.

2.) Is it because Asians are so culturally inhibited that they do not report crimes which resulted in less police protection? Just think, why would the police department assign more officers here if there are few reported crimes to show?

3.) Is it because you expect the 1800 police force (Only 1/3 are on duty during the day, evening and overnight shift) to respond to the immediate needs of 750,000 San Franciscans? Do you know that you can act as the police "eyes and ears" without any risk to you? Come to our meetings and find out.

4.) Is it because you have the mistaken belief that by reporting the crime that there will be retribution against you? This usually happens in the movies! Most of the perpetrators can't distinguish one Asian face from the next. Don't forget that if you will report and later testify in court against a perpetrator, you can prevent hundreds of people from being attacked just with one arrest.

5.) Is it because you are new in this country and you are working so tirelessly that you cannot find a little time each month to learn about crime prevention? Don't you know that some of these crimes not only result in the loss of your hard-earned money but may even jeopardize you and your family's lives?

6.) Shouldn't you fight back now? Your past inaction has resulted in increasingly bold attacks on many victims. Nowadays even young perpetrators are preying on Asian females and the elderly any time of day. These attacks are not only a constant threat to our lives but the devaluation of our properties. Tenants and friends may be afraid because they or their vehicles may be attacked.

Now that our security is so threatened, can't you set aside a little time to come with your family and neighbors to our meetings and be part of the crime fighting solution?

Be involved in the monthly Visitacion Valley Asian Residents' Association meetings for Cantonese-speaking residents. Your active participation will result in important speakers to come. Next meeting is **September 4, 1992** at 7:30 p.m. at 50 Raymond Avenue, just round from the 7-11 store.

Remember, your inaction is a good reason for crimes to increase.

Checking Accounts Hit With Sharp Increases In Fees And Deep Drops In Interest Rates

August 25, 1992-California's financial institutions have found a way to give their checking account customers the short end of the stick-at both ends. Since last year the state's banks and savings and loans have deeply cut rates on their interest checking accounts. At the same time they have sharply increased service fees. These are the main conclusions of Consumer Action's 1992 Checking Account Survey, which was released today.

To obtain a free copy of the survey, send a self addressed, stamped (52 cents) business size envelope to: Consumer Action Checking Survey, 116 New Montgomery #233, San Francisco, CA 94105.

The survey, containing information accurate as of July, 1992, covers 55 banking institutions, including commercial banks, savings banks, savings and loans and

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为甚麼罪案在我们社区不断增加？

① 是否因为亚裔携带 多现金或金飾珠寶，更甚者钱財寄账而吸引犯罪者垂涎？此舉吸引犯罪者對其它人仕不良危险。

② 是否因為亚裔習慣上不喜歡表達？而警察部門以為這表示犯罪率低，分不分派多些警員在本區？

③ 或許你以為1600個警員可以馬上應付750,000三藩市居民之需要？（其實就有平起警員900人当日或晚班）你是否知道你可以成為警方的眼睛和耳朵而沒有任何危險性？如你安知道，請參加我們社區安全會議。

④ 是否你以為幸之案而被報復？這通常在電影上可以看見。大部份犯案者都不能區分亚裔的面孔，請不要忘記你是幸之案，這可能會指控犯案者，你可能因為指證其犯罪而其它人仕免受害。

⑤ 是否因為你是新移民而無暇忙碌，又不能每月抽出時間參加我們的防止犯罪會議嗎？你可知道不幸損失你的血汗錢，更甚者可能危害你的家人生命？

⑥ 你是否要斗爭？因為以往你的不反抗方法來罪案的猖獗而遭及更多受害者。現在甚至年青的犯罪者也找年女性亚裔人仕及年老者。這些罪案不单損害我們的生命，而且使本區心靈被位下跌，祝我朋友，但願其它的事記也受生害。

請記住本年8月7日(星期五)上午文行50號晚上7:30時的會議有特別和美麗的嘉賓出席居民商討決策。

(50 Raymond Ave.)

THANKS TO YOU...

We'd like to thank all of you who continue to donate to your neighborhood organizations through the United Way of the Bay Area, and urge you to continue this practise and urge your friends, neighbors and co-workers to do the same. Last winter, a terrible scandal hit the United Way of America, which is an organization in the Washington, D.C. area that was started to serve the local United Ways across the country with national advertising and other services that couldn't be gotten as effectively on the local level. A good example of this is the National Football League-sponsored ads that feature football stars in the ads for United Way. Also, the United Way of America works on getting participation in United Way fundraising campaigns by large national and international corporations...they deal with the main office of each of these, and the funds raised benefit United Ways all over the country.

The scandal was that the man who had been the President of the United Way of America, and had worked in that job for many years, had become influenced over the years by the lifestyles of the big national and international corporation Presidents with whom he dealt on a regular basis. He started to adopt their business lifestyle, and began charging his travel (1st class) and other business expenses to the United Way of America at a rate that was not seemly for the head of a non-profit fundraising organization. When it was realized what was going on, this President had to resign. He has been asked by the United Way of America Board of Directors to pay back all the money for the things he charged that are considered to be wrong, and the United Way of America Board is restructuring their whole organization and looking for a new President.

Meanwhile, the local United Ways, such as the United Way of the Bay Area are suffering for this unfortunate man's error in judgement. The fundraising campaigns have lost money at a terrific rate, and therefore, the funding for the organizations that they support have been cut deeply this year, and will be again next year. Many small charitable organizations will suffer greatly, and even be forced to close down. The organizations that will suffer the most are the smaller neighborhood-based organizations which have no other way to raise funds. Larger, national organizations such as the Red Cross and Heart Association will suffer too, of course, but they at least have a national appeal and the resources to raise money on their own.

The crazy thing about this is that the local United Ways have little to do with the United Way of America, except that they pay dues and/or fees to the United Way of America for the ads that they arrange for and the money they raise through the national campaign by approaching the large corporations.

The sad thing about this is that small charitable organizations , such as Visitacion Valley Community Center, the Sunnydale Boys & Girls Club, the Koyuse Campfire Club and the Boys and Girls Club on San Bruno Avenue will suffer the most. All of our budgets and many more in the San Francisco Bay Area have been reduced this year by at least 8%, and next year will be reduced by another 8%, and this just when there are more and more needy people due to the economic depression that grips the Bay Area and the United States. It is an unfortunate thing to happen at any time, but now....

What can you do to help? Just what we suggested at the top of this article. Please continue to donate whatever you can through the United Way of the Bay Area, and urge everyone you know to do so as well. If you wish, you may designate your donation to one or more of the United Way Agencies in which you are especially interested. You can actually donate to any 501c3 non-profit organization through United Way, whether they are United Way members or not. You can donate through a United Way campaign at your workplace, or you can donate directly on your own. Just call United Way of the Bay Area at 772-4300, and they will be glad to give you any information you need and assist you in directing your donation in the way that you prefer. And, thanks once again.

NATIONAL Arts WEEK 92
SEPTEMBER 20–26

ATTENTION ARTISTS:

The San Francisco Art Commission announces a call for applications from artists interested in being considered for new public art projects planned for the Mission and Chinatown Branches of the San Francisco Public Library, and for three Fire Stations located in the Noe Valley, Potrero Hill, and Bayview neighborhoods. Commissions for these five projects will range from $16,000 to $22,000.

Artists living in the 10 Bay Area counties (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma) are eligible for these commissions. Women and African American, Latino/Chicano, Native American, and Asian/Pacific Islander artists are encouraged to apply.

Artists interested in being considered for these projects should request a prospectus by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Firestation/Branch Projects; San Francisco Art Commission, 25 Van Ness, Suite 240; San Francisco, CA 94102.

The first application deadline is Sept. 30, 1992. For more information call Susan Pontious at (415) 554-9671.

Awards To After-School Literary Arts Projects For At Risk Youth

The Community Arts & Education Program of the S.F. Art Commission has initiated its first arts education granting program, by combining local arts resources with a three-year grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The new program entitled "Literary Arts Community Pilot Grants" is making grant awards to organizations providing after-school arts programs to 'at risk' children and teens. This year's awards target literary arts projects, where community writers, poets, journalists, and artists actively involve young people in creative arts projects.

The S.F. Art Commission is pleased to announce the 15 Literary Arts Community Pilot Grant award recipients.

- Accion Latina
- American Conservatory Theater
- Braval Women in the Arts
- California Poets in the Schools
- Central City Hospitality House
- Cultural Odyssey
- Go Productions
- KMPT TV/32
- Larkin Street Youth Center
- Listen to Our Children/Listen to Our Elders
- Potrero Hill Neighborhood House
- Precita Eyes Mural Center
- Renaissance Technical Training Institute
- Small Press Traffic
- Visitacion Valley Community Center

TEEN MUSICAL THEATRE AUDITIONS

Teen singers, dancers, and actors are invited to audition for the spirited and popular Young People's Teen Musical Theatre Company. Auditions for the 1992-1993 season will be held Saturday, September 12, Noon - 6 p.m. Location for the tryouts is the Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building, 50 Scott Street near Duboce.

Singers should prepare a song; an accompanist will be provided, dancers will perform a dance; a cassette deck will be provided, and actors will deliver a three minute maximum monologue. Participation in the company requires a substantial commitment during the school year, Wednesdays and Fridays 4-7 p.m., and Saturdays Noon - 5 p.m. "A Chorus Line" is the winter production scheduled for late January.

For more information, call San Francisco Recreation and Park's Drama and Dance Division at 554-9523.

Composting: It's recycling, naturally!

Turn your Coffee Grounds into gold!

Don't throw your carrot peels, coffee grounds into the garbage can... compost them instead. Composting turns yard and kitchen wastes into an excellent fertilizer for gardens and house plants. The San Francisco League of Urban Gardners (SLUG) will s ponsor two basic FREE composting workshops in September: on Saturdays, September 12 and September 26, from 10:00 am to noon. Both workshops will be at the Garden for the Environment, located at Lawton Street and 7th Avenue in the Sunset District.

Call SLUG's Compost Rotline for information and reservation at 285-7585.

SHARE

When was the last time you left the supermarket with several bags of groceries for less than $20? Does anyone remember the sixties? Well it's 1992 and that one grocery bag feels a little light but not as light as your wallet. But you can still buy 30 lbs. of food including meat, fresh fruits and vegetables, dry staples and more for just $13.00.

If you haven't already heard, I'm talking about the SHARE program. 11,000 participants in over 190 Northern California communities are saving a substantial amount on their monthly food bill and promoting active involvement in community work.

SHARE is self help: Participants pay $13 at the beginning of the month and do two hours of volunteer service for a package of groceries that would cost $25-$35 in the market.

SHARE is building community: Everyone is welcome to participate in SHARE. By pooling our buying power we make sure no one has to go hungry at the end of the month; and we make the community a better place through our community service.

Everyone has a contribution to make – volunteer at schools, senior centers, your church, etc., or with SHARE. Just do two hours a month.

See for yourself, go out to a distribution at one of the sites in your neighborhood. They are listed by zip code on the enclosed "Host Site" list.

The distributions happen once a month.

Please note, this is NOT a charity. It IS a lot of folks from all income levels stretching their food dollars further and actively concerned with improving the quality of life for everyone.

Contact me at 362-2506 or 1(800)499-2506

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Five Years Ago in the Grapevine

SEPTEMBER 1987

- Visitacion Valley's branch of Neighborhood Watch planned the first of its many informational and sharing meetings to be held at the Park & Rec building at Leland Ave. and Cora St.
- Close to 1000 members of the elite black air force, the Tuskegee Airmen, met at San Francisco's Hilton Hotel for an inspiring convention and reunion.
- San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners established a community garden at the end of Leland Ave., next to the Ridge View United Methodist Church.
- Motorists coming from the peninsula into the Visitacion Valley area were advised by police to take the Brisbane off-ramp to avoid the projected September 18 traffic caused by Pope John Paul's visit and special service at Candlestick Park.
- Sgt. Dennis "Gus" Gustafson, a former Valley beat patrolman, became Northern California Director for the Law Enforcement Torch Run which raised money for the California Special Olympics.

08/07/92 ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING/ANNOYING CHILDREN
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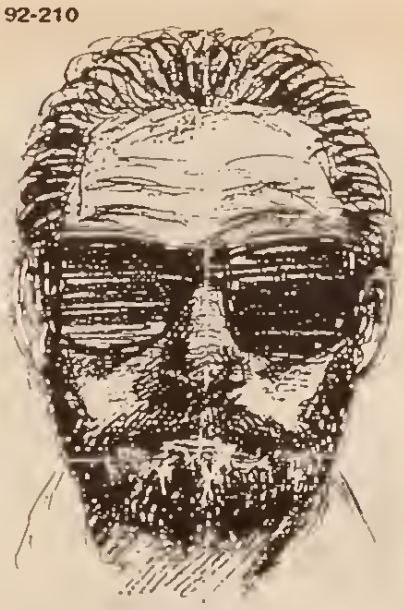

OCCURRED: 07/28/92, 1300 hours (1:00 p.m.), 235 Blythdale

SUSPECT: White Male, 35-40, 5'9", 180 lbs., light complexion, mustache, beard, wearing brown waist length leather jacket, blue jeans.

M.O. Suspect had attempted to kidnap victim (9 year old White Female) on 5/12/92 at Geneva and Prague Sts. Suspect then was seen on 7/27/92 at the victims residence a few houses away, calling for the child to come to him. The child called her mother, and the suspect fled.

IF YOU HAVE SEEN THIS MAN, PLEASE CALL INSPECTOR McDONAGH, AT THE GENERAL WORKS SECTION AT 553-1141, AND REFER TO CASE NUMBER 920742453.

Checking Accounts Hit With Sharp Increases In Fees And Deep Drops In Interest Rates

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credit unions. It includes both interest-bearing and no interest checking accounts.

The survey reveals that of the 38 interest-bearing checking accounts surveyed in both 1991 and 1992 there were fee increases in 13 of them. In many cases bikes in monthly account fees were substantial: at Alameda Bank fees went from $7 to $10; at Bank of America from $8 to $10; at Eureka Bank from $5 to $8; and at San Francisco Federal from $5 to $10.

Interest rates declined sharply on the interest-bearing checking accounts surveyed in both years. In 1991, some 30 accounts with a $1,000 balance had interest rates of 4% or more, with Exchange Bank paying the highest at 5.35%. However, in 1992, only 12 of those 30 accounts had interest rates at or above 2.50%, with Northbay Savings Bank paying the most, at 3.25% (Community First National Bank, which was not in last year's survey was also paying 3.25% as of July 1.) Most interest-bearing checking accounts now pay about 2% interest.

CA Executive Director Ken McEldowney cautioned consumers who have interest-bearing checking accounts to think seriously about closing them if during the last year their balance dropped below the level needed to avoid monthly charges:

"Triggering service fees just a couple of times a year could more than offset any interest you could earn. For example, in many cases a $1,000 balance will only earn you about $20 interest over the course of the year. But fees are typically $7-10 a month. Just two or three months of fees during the year will wipe out all the interest you've earned. And that's without even deducting the taxes you'll pay on that income."

To reduce the amount that you are paying in fees, McEldowney pointed out that, "The balance to avoid fees and the fees themselves are far lower on no-interest accounts."

The good news in CA's survey is that there are still institutions offering free checking accounts. Seniors, in particular, have many choices to obtain free checking. People who qualify for credit union membership will find that these firms often have better deals than do banks, said McEldowney.

The question that people should put to their banks, said McEldowney, is "How can you make interest rates so low at the same time that you are raising fees so high?' It's not fair. One bank doubled its fee, others raised them by up to 60 percent. Yet the last time we looked, the nation was still in a deep recession and inflation was very low. Where is justification for skyrocketing fees?"

McEldowney suggested that banks "are continuing to look for deep pockets in the clothing of their customers. They are still desperate for ways to offset their bad business decisions and inefficiencies. Not only are we paying as taxpayers for the bailout of the financial industry, now as depositors we have to contribute to the banks' efforts to get back into the black. It's time for consumers to fight back."

He pointed out that there are institutions that have not made exorbitant fee increases. "We urge consumers to check out credit unions, and to look for banks that are maintaining reasonable fee structures. Review the Consumer Action survey, and try to find an account where you will pay as little as possible for checking."

PARENTS OF TODDLERS PRE- SCHOOL NIGHT

Parents Place and the San Francisco Council of Parent Participation Nursery Schools announced the city's first annual Preschool Preview Night, an event where parents can talk with representatives of over 50 preschools to help them choose the right one for their children. The gathering, which is open to the public and free of charge, will be held on Thursday, October 1, 1992, from 7pm to 10pm at Golden Gate Park's county Fair Building, also known as the Hall of Flowers, at Ninth Avenue and Lincoln Way.

"Choosing a preschool is one of the important choices parents of young children will make; frequently parents have little information on which to base their decisions," said Ann Weinstein director of Parents Place.

At Preschool Preview Night, each participating school will have a table where parents and/or teachers from the school will distribute written material about their school and answer questions from parents looking for preschools.

Also featured on the program is a short talk on "Choosing A Preschool For Your Child" by child development expert and Parents Place director Ann Weinstein. The talk will begin at 7:30 pm.

Please contact Ann Weinstein at 563-1041 for more information.

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TEEN HEALTH PROGRAM

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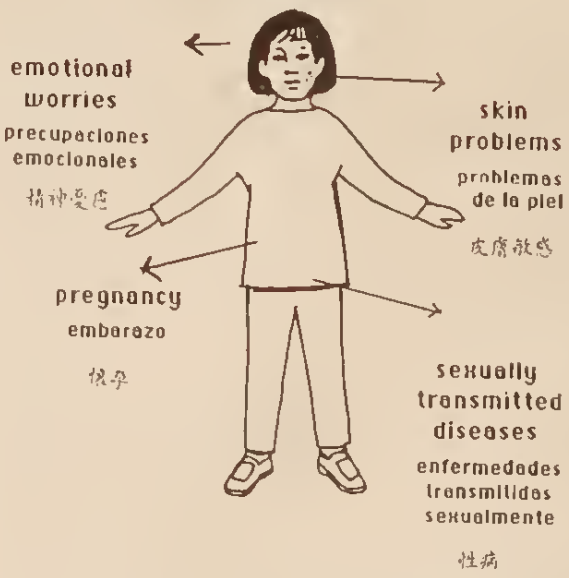

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Call one of our health workers who will help you make an appointment.

Ray Robinson	467-7340
Sandra Gomez (Spanish/English)	554-9950
Fannie Wu (Chinese/English)	753-8188
Denise Collins, PHN, for pregnancy	554-9950

SITUACIONES EN QUE USTED PODRA NECESITAR UN EXAMEN DE SALUD:

- Al comenzar un nuevo trabajo
- Al participar en los deportes
- Para atender campos de recreo
- Para asegurar de que esta saludable
- Para recibir más información sobre los cambios en su cuerpo, sexual y emocional

Lo única manera de saber si usted es saludable, es obteniendo un examen de salud completo.

Podemos ayudarle a conseguir un examen de salud gratis. Puede ser elegible si el ingreso de su familia es bajo o moderado (por ejemplo: **$2,325** al mes por una familia de 3 o si reciben Medi-Cal.)

Nuestros trabajadores de salud pueden asistirles en hacer una cita:

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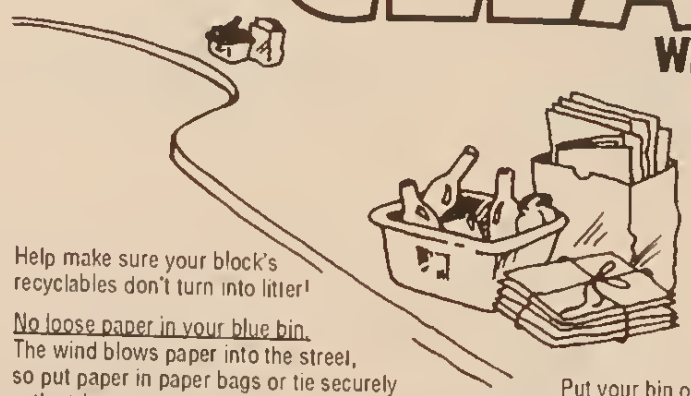

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Ciao Pinin

By Joseph Porter

68 Fairtime

Soon after I settled down in San Francisco, I gave serious thought to my career as an artist.

My favorite pastime was to work as a portrait sketcher in some of the state and county fairs mushrooming throughout California during the summer. Besides being fun it was financially profitable.

The highlight of the season was the Sacramento State Fair. It ran for three weeks. We had our own Artists' Colony where all the action was and which housed a dozen artists or so. It was an ideal spot, yet we had problems. Our problem was what you may call Fan Worship. We were plagued by girls.

It is a well-authenticated fact that women have always been fascinated by artists. To most females the word artist suggests exhibitionism and sex. Many are the ladies who confessed to me to have a fantasy to be painted in the nude by an artist, with an occasional break for love-making. It is all part of the process.

Such feelings seem to be installed in the female mind at an early age. Upon a child's query, "What does an artist do?" The usual answer is "He draws your portrait, and makes you look pretty." The seed is planted and vanity does the rest.

During the Sacramento Fair, available rooms for blocks away, were rented out to concessionaires and other employees of the fair. For several years it had been my good fortune to procure a room within walking distance, belonging to a widow with a pre-school child. At the time of the story, Stella, the child, had reached the age of five. She had come to accept me as part of her family.

It was while I was busy at work, surrounded by a crowd of spectators that little Stella showed up, accompanied by two of her friends, slightly older in age. To impress them, and with trepidation she broke through the crowd and reached my side.

"Hello, Mister Porter."

"Oh, hello Stella. How are you?"

Mission accomplished she proudly drew back to her friends.

"Gosh! Do you know the artist?" They asked her in awe.

"Oh, yes. I know him well." She answered, with a clear voice, for all to hear. "He sleeps with my mother!"

This might explain the constant flow of girls plaguing the Artists' Colony. The same gang used to fall upon us, year after year, like a swarm of locusts. They couldn't be discouraged and each adopted her own artist.

It is hard to be rude to an admirer but we were hampered in our work and couldn't be bothered with flirtations.

One of our group got fed up with his helper and told her bluntly: "Emma, you are a nice girl and I am going to make you a proposition. At the end of the Fair I'll give you one dollar for every day that you stay away from me." It wasn't tempting enough.

Finally an irate artist faced the fair Manager with our problem. He took quick action. Next day, two policemen came and cleared the Artists' Colony of our unwelcome barflies. We could now work in peace.

As they say, there is a time and place for everything.

Some years later we had an opposite problem Lack of respect and appreciation.

On opening day, still at the Sacramento Fair, we all met at our regular spot, only to be told that the Artists' Colony had been moved to a remote section of the fair.

It was unthinkable! After twenty years they couldn't do that to us. We went to the manager who turned out to be a new man, with new ideas. Mr. Burke was his name.

With the attitude of take it or leave it, he wouldn't budge. He was the boss!

One of our group happened to be in good standing with the then governor Edmund Brown, the father of Jerry. He went to see him.

At seven o'clock in the evening there comes Mr. Burke, fuming and stuttering.

"Some of you went over my head and complained to Governor Brown. He instructed me to take you back to your original spot. You win this round but I'll get rid of you if it's the last thing I'll ever do. I have no use for artists."

A fleet of heavy duty trucks transferred our booths and supplies to our original spot, inching their way through a throng of boisterous merry-makers.

The next year, by common accord, we all stayed from Sacramento. For the first time in its history the State Fair was deprived of its artists.

The year after I, and a group of others, were merrily sketching away at the Alameda County Fair, in Pleasanton when, upon finishing a portrait, I turned around and saw Mr. Burke looking at me with a sheepish grin.

"Well, Mr. Burke, you are the last person I expected to see in Artists' Colony. What brings you around?"

"I am looking for artists!"

September 1992 Grapevine Baby of the Month

Send your cute and unusual baby pictures to the Grapevine, and our panel of judges will select a baby to feature each month in this section.

Unique Marshay Fuller

KIDS MAKE THE NUTRITIONAL GRADE

Children of the 1990s may grow up to be the savviest consumers yet, judging from the results of a new survey that explored the nutrition knowledge of six-to-nine-year-olds.

When asked to define nutrition, 73% of the children surveyed related it to foods that are "good for you" or as something that's healthful to eat. The overwhelming majority, 93%, realized that eating lots of fruits and vegetables is beneficial and almost two-thirds agreed that eating habits can affect future health.

"We were amazed that children this young demonstrated such a high level of awareness of nutrition principles," said Karen Forcade, President of YOUTH Research, the firm that conducted the survey.

Children, as young as six-years-old, have a good grasp of the basics of nutrition -- balance, variety and moderation. The majority knew that it's best to eat a variety of foods and that trying new food is good

Additionally, 64% realized that it's okay to eat foods like ice cream, cookies and chips, but not all the time. Only 10% believed that it's okay to eat anything you want, whenever you want.

"Even at this young age, children are able to apply the basic nutrition principles to individual food selection with an excellent degree of accuracy, said Claire Regan, MS, RD, Director of Nutrition for the International Food Information Council (IFIC), the sponsor of the study.

When shown pictures of a series of foods, the overwhelming majority of those surveyed were able to distinguish between foods like fruits and vegetables that should be eaten at least every day and foods that should be eaten less frequently. At least seven out of ten children categorized foods like milk, cereal, bananas, and carrots as foods that should be eaten every day or more than once a day.

Young children also are savvy when it comes to evaluating the foods advertised on television. Forcade explained, "We found that just over three-quarters of the children (77 percent) understood that just because something are advertised on television doesn't mean that they should eat unlimited quantities of those foods."

The survey also found that only one-out-of-four children (27 percent) always ask their parents to buy food they see advertised on television while over two-thirds (67 percent) "sometimes" ask their parents to buy advertised foods.

However, parents still exercise primary control of children's food selection. Only four percent reported that Mom or Dad always buy these foods, while 82 percent said their requests are honored "sometimes."

"Despite children's requests, parents are the gatekeepers of the household food supply and have ultimate control over which foods are purchased," Regan said.

"It's encouraging that children are so knowledgeable about nutrition, but parents still control the selection of foods that are available to children. It's important that parents recognize and use this opportunity to help children develope sound eating habits. By providing a wide range of foods, parents can encourage children to choose balanced diets and to develope sound habits that will last a lifetime," Regan advised.

The survey was conducted in June 1992 by YOUTH Research. Four hundred children, six to nine years old, were personally interviewed across the country. The results are projectable at a 95 percent level of confidence with a margin of error of five percentage points.

IFIC is a nonprofit organization that communicates sound science-based information on food and nutrition topics to health professionals, journalists, government officials and consumers. IFIC's programs are supported by the food and beverage industry.

Owls At Candlestick Point State Recreation Area?

by Mary Keitelman
Golden Gate Audubon Society

Golden Gate Audubon Society and the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation work together to save habitat for Burrowing Owls at Candlestick Point State Recreation Area.

Burrowing Owls are living at Candlestick Point State Recreation Area. Although not officially listed as endangered on the federal Endangered Species List, this owl is officially a "species of special concern" and threatened in most of its range, due to habitat destruction.

While making plans for the new Landscape Development to be built at Candlestick Point State Recreation Area in San Francisco, rangers discovered that there may be as many as two adult owls in residence, which soon could have as many as four fledglings per mated pair.

Margaret Gabil, District Superintendent for the San Francisco District of the Department of Parks and Recreation, met with a group of local biologists and volunteers on Saturday, March 22, too determine how to incorporate the owls' habitat requirements with the plans for the new 25 acres of landscaping. GGAS has hired an outside environmental consultant, LSA Associates, to assess how it might be improved to keep and attract owls.

Only one adult has been seen, sporadically, in the park over this past year. There may be two owls present, but they have only been seen singularly.

Coming soon to our neighborhood... **JOBS**

Tuntex U.S.A. Corporation will be building 600 condominiums south of Candlestick starting later this winter. They have promised that they will require the Architects and Contractors to hire 50% of the workers from the 94134 and 94124 zip codes. Visitacion Valley Community Center and Young Community Developers have been designated to be the agencies to receive applications for jobs. We're taking names now...so your name will be high on the list when they start hiring. GET YOUR NAME ON THE LIST

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They Were San Franciscans

JAMES LICK

When excavation this year for the new main library required moving the Pioneer Monument from its location near Hyde and Market Sts., many a historian fondly recalled James Lick, the manwho donated funds for its erection. He had wanted the elaborate statue placed before the original San Francisco City Hall, where it stood before the 1906 earthquake destroyed the mammoth building. Although the new City Hall opened two blocks away in 1914, the monument remained at its original site for nearly a century.

Arriving in California in January, 1848, Lick originally tried his hand at mining, but soon found that profit could be made by acquring prime San Francisco real estate from eager gold seekers willing to sell their lots for pennies on the dollar. In a matter of a few years, his modest $10,000 investment earned him a million dollars, and even more when an influx of mineral wealth into the City began inflating speculative land values.

In 1862, Lick opened his magnificent Lick House, a three story, 60 suite hotel built with marble floors and expensive foreign woods.

His most memorable achievements, however, were generous contributions he made to causes for the betterment of San Francisco. Lick donated more than half a million dollars to the building of the California School of Mechanical Arts. Atop Mount Hamilton near San Jose, more than $700 thousand went to the construction of Lick Observatory, which upon its completion, also served as its donor's final resting place after his death on October 1, 1876.

Lick Place, a small alley running between Post and Sutter Sts. near Montgomery St. is named in his honor, as is the James Lick Freeway, which carries traffic through San Francisco from the Bay Bridge.

Tips to Fireproof Your Home

In the United States, a residential fire occurs every 60 seconds. And, every year, fires claim nearly 5,000 lives and injure another 300,000 people.

"By observing some basic fire prevention precautions, you can decrease your chances of having a fire," says Alan Troop, president of Westec Security, California's largest provider of residential and commercial security. "First, install fire and smoke detectors, because once a fire starts, there are only a few minutes before the entire structure is engulfed in smoke and carbon monoxide."

"If you don't escape within the first few minutes of a fire, your chances of being overcome by fumes increase dramatically," continues Troop.

Establish at least two escape routes. Instruct children to get out as quickly as possible, and not attempt to save anything.

Perform fire drills regularly and practice crawling on hands and knees to avoid smoke inhalation. Instruct everyone to check door jams and door knobs before opening. If either is hot, use the secondary route.

Remember to escape first and call 911 second. Follow these steps to help fireproof your home:

* Place matches or lighters out of reach of children;
* Don't leave burning candles or barbecues unattended;
* Stay home while cooking, or while using other appliances (washers, etc.)
* Don't smoke in bed. Nearly 90 percent of fire fatalities are caused by carelessness with smoking materials or falling asleep while smoking;
* Enclose fireplaces with screens to keep sparks from jumping and igniting carpets or other flammable materials;
* Repair broken electical appliances, sockets or extension cords. Unused sockets should be covered with tape or special covers to keep children's fingers out;
* Clear dry brush, leaves and other vegetation at least 50 feet away from your house; and
* Store gasoline and other flammables in tight metal containers away from your house and your garbage.

In addition, many insurance companies offer discounted premiums to homeowners who install fire and smoke detectors, or security systems with this capability. For Westec's free guide to family safety and home security, call 1-800-WESTEC-3.

First - Aid Class

To provide the General Public with the knowledge and skills called for the most situation in which emergency First Aid care is required before the Medical help arrived.

Health Education at the H C #8 is providing this class every 2nd Saturday of the month.

Fee - $10.00 Registration necessary

For more information call Amena Panni 468-1588

THIS MONTH In San Francisco HISTORY

Sept. 1: In 1868, the DeYoung brothers' Dramatic Chronicle, first newspaper in San Francisco to report the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, became the Daily Morning Chronicle, a four page broadsheet nearly three times its original size.

Sept. 2: In 1947, with the advent of postwar traffic and parking congestion, the City's first parking meters were installed on Polk St.

In 1956, cable car service west of Van Ness Ave. ended when the Washington-Jackson line was replaced by bus service.

Sept. 7: In 1850, the failure of several businesses in Sacramento, the new state capital, caused many worried San Franciscans to withdraw their money from local banks, a financial panic which lasted more than a week.

In 1907, a mysterious fire destroyed Adolph Sutro's popular Cliff House.

In 1962, a raging fire destroyed the original St. Mary's Cathedral, located at the corner of Van Ness Ave. and O'-Farrell St.

Sept. 9: In 1875, Lotta's Fountain, the time-less fixture located on the safety island at the intersection of Kearny, Geary, and Market Sts., was officially dedicated, a loving gift to the people of San Francisco from Miss Lotta Crabtree.

Sept. 11: In 1929, San Francisco's first traffic signals were put into operation by Mayor James Rolph.

Sept. 16: In 1974, Bay Area Rapid Transit trains began regularly sheduled operation through the transbay tube.

Sept. 17: In 1850, a large fire, powere by agusting wind, destroyed more than 125 mostly one story buildings on several square blocks of the City's downtown area. In 1917, thousands of local laborers went on strike to protest poor wages and working conditions.

Sept. 19: In 1854, Montgomery St. became San Francisco's first permanently paved avenue, making use of cubical blocks of granite.

In 1855, the schooner Caroline E. Foote became the first vessel to enter San Francisco Bay with a cargo imported directly from Japan.

Sept. 22: In 1848, San Francisco's first wharf was erected, a 150 foot structure extending into the bay from the foor of Broadway St

In 1853, the Pacific Coast's first telegraph line, built to provide reports on incoming shipping, was opened between the downtown Merchant's Exchange and a station located at Point Lobos.

Sept. 26: In 1915, El Camino del Mar, located in the City's northeast corner, was officially opened. A landslide several decades later caused its permanent closure.

Sept. 28: In 1948, ground was broken for the construction of the Youth Guidance Center on Woodside Ave.

Sept. 29: In 1923, Steinhardt Aquarium, vital part of Golden Gate Park's Academy of Sciences, was first opened to the public.

In 1940, the Golden Gate International Exposition located on man-made Treasure Island adjacent to Yerba Buena, closed its gates for the second and last time. Treasure Island was leased the following year to the U.S. Government for its naval operations.

Mayors of San Francisco

HENRY COON

When Mayor Henry Teschemaker, San Francisco's incumbent chief executive in 1863, refused to seek another term, the People's Party searched its ranks for a suitable successor. Henry P. Coon, a prominant local physician, pharmacist, and lawyer, was unanimously for that spring's mayoral election.

Born in Columbus County, New York on September 20, 1822, Coon earned his medical degree in 1848, and was a doctor on the East Coast for several years before establishing himself as a San Francisco physician in 1853. He later branched into pharmaceuticals.

As a sideline, Coon dickered in the lucrative market of San Francisco real estate, whose speculative value rose as the City grew. Complicated land transactions, compounded by the complexity of revised laws encouraged him to also study law, which he soon mastered to proficiancy.

As a prominant businessman, Coon's steady support of law and order in a turbulent city caught the eye of the People's Party, which nominated his services as a police judge, where his reputation for being a rigid, but fair justice earned him respect from boths sides of the law.

Coon became the City's eleventh mayor on July 1, 1863, and served through a state-extended second term to December, 1867.

In 1867, he signed the Clement Ordinance, which included provisions for a highway along the City's ocean front, and land being reserved for public parks. Coon immediately assigned a crew of workers to survey a large site at the sand dunes which was eventually transformed into Golden Gate Park.

After leaving office, Coon divided his time between land dealings and large ranches he bad purchased near San Jose. He was only 62 when he died in San Francisco at the Palace Hotel on December 4, 1884.

October Potrero Hill Festival

The 4th Annual Potrero Hill Festival has openings for arts and crafts vendors at the all-day outdoor event on October 17, 1992.

Co-sponsored by the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House and the San Francisco Arts Commission, the Festival features work by local artisans, as well as entertainment by leading Bay Area musicians, who are residents of Potrero Hill.

The 37th Annual Arts show - works by Hill artists - will open at the Potrero Library, an event planned to coincide with the Festival.

The Festival is located at Missouri and 20th Streets, and in the Daniel Webster Schoolyard.

For information and applications please call Ruth Passen at 826-8080.

Kopp Seeks Senate Interns

State Senator Quentin L. Kopp (I-San Mateo, San Francisco) is currently accepting applications from interested college students for the 1992-93 school year, Senate Internship Program, in his South San Francisco District Office.

Senate interns assist Senator Kopp and his staff with legislative research, constituent casework and other administrative responsibilities. The internship program offers a rare opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the legislative and administrative process of a Senate district office and provides valuable training.

Please submit a resume, sample of writing skills and letter of interest to Mina Fasulo, Field Representative, Office of Senator Quentin L. Kopp, 363 El Camino Real, Suite No. 205, South San Francisco, CA 94080, as soon as possible.

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KOYUSE CLUB CHANGES THE FACE OF CAMP FIRE IN THE COMMUNITY

reprinted from "Camp Fire Boys and Girls Update", August 1992

In a San Francisco neighborhood with many at risk children and youth, Camp Fire Koyuse Club offers a stable program filled with positive alternatives.

Visitacion Valley is the City district with the greatest density of children. It is also an area marked by high levels of poverty, unemployment, ethnic tension, crime, violence and youth delinquency. It is here that, six years ago, Anne Kaartunen, a Visitacion Valley resident, formed a partnership with Camp Fire to reach out to restless boys and girls with a program that builds self esteem and self reliance, crosses cultural barriers, and fosters community service.

Today Koyuse Club, with its own space in the Visitacion Valley Elementary School bungalows, is open every day after school and serves 125 K - 6th grade children. Camp Fire expansion plans for Visitacion Valley have the potential for serving 400 more neighborhood children.

We believe that all children, no matter where, are at some risk in today's society and need supportive adults and programs to help them discover their personal ability to care and to contribute to their world.

Walk Your Way To A Healthy Heart

While many people balk at the idea of starting a vigorous exercise program involving running, biking, or aerobics classes, walking is something we all do every day that can easily be turned into a regular exercise program.

Walking is an aerobic exercise that can lead to a healthier heart if done briskly for 20 to 30 minutes three times a week. Beginning an exercise program has special importance now, because the American Heart Association recently classified physical inactivity as the fourth major risk factor for cardiovascular disease. The other three are smoking, high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol.

In addition to the cardiovascular benefits, fitness walking can relieve tension, tone muscles, and increase stamina.

The American Heart Association has a brochure to help you begin a walking program. Called "Walking for a Healthy Heart," it includes information about the benefits of exercise, a sample walking program for beginners and tips on how to monitor your progress.

To receive a free copy of "Walking for Healthy Heart," send your request with a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope to your nearest American Heart Association Office listed in the white pages. You will also receive information about American Heart Walk, a nationwide walking event being held October 3-4.

Let's Drop It

Do you have High Blood Pressure?

You can learn to live with it.

A 4 session high blood pressure class will be conducted at the H.C. #3 Health Education, located at 1525, Silver Ave.

Some of the topics are:

* What is High Blood Pressure
* Diet in relation to high blood pressure
* Medication
* Lifestyle changes
* Stress
* Exercise
* Relaxation

The next session will start on Wednesday, September 16, 1992 from 3pm-4:30 pm. Fee for all 4 sessions $2.00. To register or for more information call Amena Panni, Health Educator, 468-1588.

September 1992

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RECYCLING NEWS

by Maria Hon, Public Outreach Coordinator, San Francisco Recycling Program

What's worth $99, but costs you only $30? A Compost Bin!

By the end of September, if you are a San Francisco resident, you'll have a chance to order a compost bin that retails for $99.00 at $30.00. That's a savings of $69.00!

Now that's jsut for starters. Say if you now put out two 32 gallon cans of garbage a week (yard clippings are bulky, and being a vegetarian, you end up with lots of carrot peels and broccoli stalks). That cost you about $14.00 a month in garbage pick-up fees. Now say if you compost, in a week, you may only make enough garbage to fill a 20 gallon can. The garbage pick-up cost for this smaller can is $8.13 per week. That's a savings of about $6.00 a month. Your compost bin can be paid off in 5 months ($6.00/month X 5 months = $30.00).

Isn't that a deal? Real hard numbers. But, let's just assume that you are the skeptical type. You are still not convinced you want to ruxh into this. I've saved the best reason of them all for last. Just consider this. You put some leftover coffee ground and banana peel into this box-like thing. You add some dried leaves, stir them up a little, add a little water, put the cover on. You forget about it. Sometime later (4 weeks to 6 months), you lift the cover, and there in front of you is this sweet smelling earthy substance called compost which you can give away to your aunt in New York City for Christmas, bagged in your own personalized, specially designed pouch. Or, you may want to simply make your plants or your garden happy by just feeding it to them. And this process can go on and on. You feed the box some kitchen and yard scraps and it gives you back sweet smelling compost. It uses zero energy, very little water, and hardly any labor. It's Nature's way of recycling a renewable, sustainable resource.

Why this special bargain? Is this for real?

Yes, as real as that compost you'll hold between your fingers in 3 months. The San Francisco Recycling Program in collaboration with the San Francisco League of Urban Gardners (SLUG) is sponsoring this special compost bargain bin program. Because it has been found that people really want to compost, just like people really want to recycle. But most people could use a little jump start, a little encouragement, a little convenience. So, this program is meant to take you from "I-want-to-do-it" to "I-am-doing-it".

How do I sign up?

Simple. Call SLUG at 285-7585 and ask them to send you an order form. Once you receive the order form, send it in along with $30.00, and 2 weeks later, a spiffy bin will be delivered to your door step by UPS. The program only has 600 bins. First come, first served. So, sign up early.

How do I get started?

You'll get an instruction booklet as well as a list of workshops with your bin. SLUG will conduct these workshops.

Now, it'll be harder than ever to make up excuses when your loved ones and your friends ask why aren't you recycling the natural way.

New lives for old phone books begin in September

Every year, during the first two weeks of September, 1.8 million new phone books are delivered to homes and businesses in San Francisco, leaving 1.8 million old phone books looking for a new life. 35% of them found new lives last year. Many of them made it to the Pacific Basin countries, where they were reincarnated into spiffy new recycled cereal boxes. Others became insulation between walls. Still others became warm bed pans for patients in hospitals. The other 65% unfortunately ended up in a big deep hole, where they will be confined to spend the rest of their lives.

This year, help make sure that more of these phone books get to have a second life by recycling them. If you have curbside recycling service, simply put them in a paper bag along with your newspapers, magazines, junk mail and cereal boxes. (They were probably relatives of the phone books at one time.) You can also tie them up and put them next to your blue bin on the morning of your collection day.

If you live in an apartment building with 6 or more units, put the phone books in the grey paper recycling container located in either your garbage, garage or laundry area.

If you usually take your recyclables to your neighborhood recycling centers, most likely, they'll take the phone books also.

If you have any questions, call the San Francisco Recycling Program at 554-3409.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF CITY COMMISSIONS & BOARDS

Airports Commission	1st & 3rd Tuesday	3:00PM
Arts Commission	1st Monday	3:00PM
Board of Education	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7:00PM
Board of Supervisors	each Monday	2:00PM
Commission on Aging	1st Wednesday	9:30AM
Comm · Status of Women	4th Thursday	4:00PM
Health Commission	1st & 3rd Tuesday	3:00PM
Housing Authority Comm	2nd & 4th Thursday	4:00PM
Human Rights Comm	1st & 3rd Thursday	4:30PM
Library Commission	1st Tuesday	4:30PM
Planning Commission	each Thursday	1:30PM
Police Commission	each Wednesday	5:30PM
Port Commission	1st Tues & 3rd Wed	4:30PM
Public Utilities Comm	2nd & 4th Tuesday	2:00PM
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Social Services Comm	4th Thursday	9:30AM

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August visitors to our Valley from Houston, Texas. From left to right: Amber, Vivian and Jennifer Papuga. Former San Franciscans, twins Amber and Jennifer and their Mom enjoyed visiting Connie Wolding and Al Pasion of Saddleback and Julie Kavanagh of VVCC.

Beatrice Jaa, proud mother of Christopher Ogunsaya, poses with her graduating son for a farewell picture.

August graduate Margaret Shen and her mother, Dawn, pose for the roving photog after the exciting performance of the class play: The Three Little Pigs, in which "Maggie" played a starring role.

VVCC Class of 1992.

A scene from "The Three Little Pigs", performed at the graduation ceremony of Visitacion Valley Community Center Child Care Program.

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